- II. Claims 22-28, 44, 45, and 57, drawn to methods of detecting a TCL-1 abnormality, and a method of diagnosis;
- III. Claims 11, 12, 29, and 30, drawn to antisense nucleic acids to TCL-1, and the composition comprising the antisense nucleic acids;
- IV. Claims 14-16, 31 and 37-42, drawn to antibodies to a TCL-1 protein, the composition of the antibodies, and a method of detecting TCL-1 with antibodies;
- V. Claims 32-36, 43 and 63, drawn to methods of detecting a target sequences;
- VI. Claims 46-49, drawn to methods of treating a disease state;
- VII. Claims 50-54, drawn to methods of treatment using antibodies;
- VIII. Claims 55-56, drawn to oligonucleotide composition; and
- IX. Claims 58-62, drawn to methods of diagnosing a malignancy.

The Examiner contends that the inventions of Group I-IX are distinct, each from the other.

In response, Applicants provisionally elect with traverse the invention of Group I, claims 5-7, 13, 17, 18 and 19.

## **CONCLUSION**

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing remarks be made of record in the file history of the application. An early allowance of the application is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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